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We had a meeting this morning at 9:00 o'clock at the Talleyrand Palace of the American NATO Delegation. It pursu its normal course.

I attended a closed meeting of NATO in the Palais de Chaillot this afternoon in the course of which 11 of the 14 Ministers delivered discourses. They all seemed agreed that no offer from the Russians for a meeting based upon a sensible agenda should be rejected but [redacted] we should remain suspicious of a fundamental change in Russian policy. They thought [redacted] the recent alleged reorientation of that policy was based on tactical reasons, including a desire to consolidate the position of the present top executives in Russia.

Tonight Alphand, Griselda Forbes, and Angela Winthrop came to dinner with us.

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